GMA foes to hold vigil for second impeach rap

By Philip C. Tubeza

THE "BANTAY SUWEY" WATCH IS ON.

Smarting from the House majority's hanging last year, citizens' groups are holding a vigil in Congress to make sure that they, not lawyer Oliver Lozano or the inept opposition, would have first crack at a second impeachment complaint against President Macapagal-Arroyo.

GMA FOES/A3

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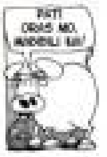
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Aussie economists find money delays life, death

SYDNEY—MONEY CAN'T buy love or happiness, but it can delay both life and death, according to two Australian economists.

An announcement in the government's May 2004 budget that a "Baby Bonus" of A$3,000

AUSSIE/A5





BIG BELCHER

Mount Bulusan in Sorsogon explodes ash 2 km high, its eighth eruption since March. People have been advised to avoid the 4-km permanent danger zone. (Story on Page A2.)

Loss of lives unavoidable, says Gonzalez

Church activist shot dead in Oroquieta

By Christian V. Esguerra and Luige A. del Puerto, in Manila and Michael F. Sarcauga, PDI Mindanao Bureau

THE LOSS OF CIVILIAN LIVES MAY BE UNavoidable in an all-out war with communist insurgents, Justice Secretary Raul Gonzalez said yesterday.

"You can't avoid collateral damage … Sometimes there are bombings and civilians might get hurt," Gonzalez told the Inquirer on the heels of Malacañang's announcement that President Macapagal-Arroyo wanted the insurgency in "critical areas" stamped out in one to two years.

Gonzalez denied accusations that the government was violating human rights, saying: "I don't think it's fair. The government is always attacked on the issue as if the government is not doing anything to protect human rights."

Accusations that the Arroyo administration was violently cracking down on dissent flared up anew after a lone gunman shot dead a church activist in Oroquieta City at around 10 a.m. Saturday.

The Mission, a provincial officer of Rural Missionaries of the Philippines and member of the Farmers for Agrarian Reform Movement, was the 22nd activist or militant killed under the Ar-

LOSS/A11

GMA's hardline policy vs Reds will crush her

By Amando Doronila

THE CALL OF PRESIDENT MACAPAGAL-ARroyo in Isabela last week to crush the 37-year-old communist insurgency in two years, in at least three "critical areas," cannot simply be reduced to the worn-out cliché, "all-out war against the Left."

ANALYSIS

The call represents a major policy initiative of Ms. Arroyo for the last three years of her administration with strong ideological overtones.

The Isabela initiative sharpens the administration's tendency toward strong-arm rule. It is raised for the first time since the Marcos regime's anticommunism stance as a polarizing issue upon which the Arroyo administration seeks to mobilize broad political support to ensure serving out its term till 2010.

In pursuing this line, the Arroyo administration has taken a big gamble. It is mocked by the history of failures of most Philippine administrations since 1946 to crush the communist movement militarily.

Within a time frame of three years before Ms. Arroyo's term expires, and with limited military and economic resources at its disposal, the initiative faces skepticism over its unexamined motives, criticism that it is undertaking a foolish project without carefully considering its political costs.

The Isabela project was launched even before the successful completion of the first major political initiative of this administration—the revision of the 1987 Constitution leading to the shift from the presidential system to the parliamentary system. This first policy in-

GMA'S/A12

No bidding in PNP purchases worth ₱322M

By Luige A. del Puerto

THE POLICE ARE BUYING SOME P322-million worth of patrol cars, motorcycles and handguns without a public bidding for the 12th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asean) summit scheduled in the first week of December, according to documents shown the Inquirer.

"We will use them for the 12th Asean summit (and) there would be no sufficient time if we go through a regular bidding," said Deputy Director General Avelino Razon Jr., chair of the the bids and awards committee (BAC) of the Philippine National Police.

The BAC approved in April resolutions calling for a "negotiated procurement" and "direct contracting," instead of a public bidding in the purchase of the equipment, the documents said.

Under negotiated procurement, a buyer directly negotiates with a "technically, legally and financially capable supplier, contractor or consultant."

In direct contracting or single source procurement, a supplier is simply asked to submit a price quotation or a "pro forma invoice," together with the conditions of sale. The offer may be accepted immediately or after negotiations.

Using the P1 billion set aside by President Macapagal-Arroyo in January for the PNP, the police are acquiring 203 patrol cars worth P162 million, 1,000 motorcycles worth P9.6 million, and 5,000 firearms worth P151 million, according to the BAC resolutions.

The police have already chosen the suppliers and are now awaiting delivery of the vehicles and handguns, officials said.

A source in the security establishment told the Inquirer that the justification cited by the BAC when it dispensed with a public bidding "were not apt."

The hosting of international events, for one, is not among the conditions set by law that allow for alternative modes of procurement, said the source, who

NO BIDDING/A7

Rizal's characters still live in our midst

By Dr. Amalia Caluris Rosales
Contributor

(The author is the president of the Philippine Association of Teachers of History and Rizal.—Ed.)

MORE THAN A CENTURY AFTER JOSE P. RIZAL wrote Noli Me Tangere and El Filibusterismo, the characters in his novels still live today.

COMMENTARY

As the nation marked on June 12 the golden anniversary of the passage by Congress of Republic Act No. 1425, or the Rizal Law, the men described by its authors as the staunchest apostle of Filipino nationalism has gained further relevance.

The Noli and the Fili mirror the character of the Filipino yesterday and today.

Among these characters are Señor Pasta, who seeks only his own advancement, is unmindful of the sufferings of his countrymen, and personifies every Filipino who does not question the policies of the government; Capitan Tiago, who is subservient to the officials of the government and the Catholic and other religious hierarchies, and whose likes are still in our midst; and Cabesang Tales, who was driven to become a rebel because of injustice and who personifies Filipinos forced to leave their families and join the rebels because of injustice and disenchantment with the way the

RIZAL'S/A6



A WALK at Rizal Park means a double celebration for this man and his child on Father's Day and the eve of the 145th birth anniversary of national hero Jose Rizal.

A Rizal admirer, envoy writes 2 poems for RP

By Volt Contreras

IN MARCH, A EUROPEAN PAID HOMAGE TO Dr. Jose Rizal by translating the national hero's immortal poem "Mi Ultimo Adios" into the Czech language.

He not only presented his "gift" but also recited the Spanish original from memory to great applause at the Rizal Shrine at Fort Santiago in Intramuros, Manila.

That earlier tribute, however, was apparently not enough for Jaroslav Ludva, the Czech Republic's ambassador to the Philippines.

Ludva has since penned new verses in his fascination of the martyr-patriot whose 145th birth anniversary falls today, and of the milieu in which the Filipino genius lived.

Adopting the same lyrical format and luscious Spanish used by Rizal in "Mi Ultimo," the ambassador from Prague came up with two more poems, this time casting a romantic gaze on his host city and on the whole archipelago.

A RIZAL/A6

WEATHER FORECAST

Second FrontPage

2 retired colonels linked to Oakwood plot, Gringo nabbed

By Luige A. del Puerto

POLICE AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE AGENTS CAPtured in separate raids on Saturday two retired officers who had been charged with rebellion together with ex-Sen. Gregorio "Gringo" Honasan in connection with the failed July 2003 Oakwood mutiny, the military said.

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At a fastfood restaurant

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Big blow

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Lighter punishment

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More emissions signal eruption near—Phivolcs

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Cabinet has 'mixed feelings' about Sto. Tomas departure

By Christine O. Avendaño

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No need to take flawed initiative to court, says Nene







Gov't letting Lafayette rape us some more, says bishop

Band controversy surrounds Brunei invite to PMA cadets

GMA foes to hold vigil for second impeach rap

Complaint launching

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Symbolic human chain

Aussie . . .

THE DAILY GOSPEL

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Rizal's legacies

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National unity

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What students say

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The lame boy

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Gray hairs as thorns

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Rizalistas offer prayers

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A Rizal admirer, envoy writes 2 poems for RP

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Gems of the Orient

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Preserve last moments

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Typical Latin city

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Gems of the Orient Seas

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No bidding in PNP purchases worth ₱322M

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Cebu meeting

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Bottom line

Lawyers to test limits of gov't no-rally policy



By Tina G. Santos

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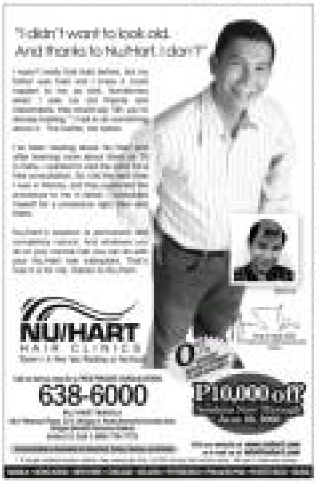




This 'ukay-ukay' shipment didn't make it to stores

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Colonel hit for painting reporter Red

DepEd blinks, halts controversial sex module

European studes raise 4,000 euros for toilets, other needs of RP kids

Internet cafes eyed as satellite school rooms

Alcuin Papa

SAVINGS FOR MODERNIZATION

AFP to cut force by half if Reds are crushed



New timetable welcome

Not that easy

P1B not enough

GMA's hardline…

More than political war

Signs of policy shift

'Last card'



PRESIDENT Arroyo presides over the Joint Regional Development Council and Cabinet meeting at Isabela Hotel, Cauayan, Isabela.

Loss of lives unavoidable, says Gonzalez

Again, a motorcycle

Different timetables

Baseless fears?

Carrot and stick

Huge funding

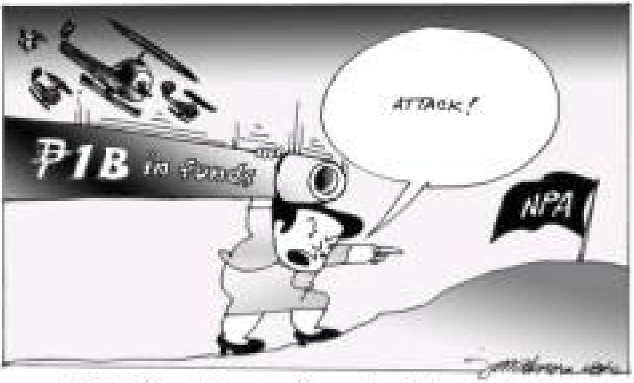
PNP part of it, too

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OPINION

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EDITORIAL



P1 billion: 'Happy Days Are Here Again!'

AS I SEE IT



Neal H. Cruz

Put up or shut up

THERE'S THE RUB



Conrado de Quiros

The education crisis

SOUNDING BOARD

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Old people in China

HIGH BLOOD

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The world's 'Development King'

COMMENTARY

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THE LONG VIEW

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Executions outside the death chamber

The slaughter must come to an end



OFW remittances nothing to boast of

Myth of 'parliamentary savings'

GMA deserves heckling from students

SUERTRES

Across the NATION

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4 'NBI agents' abduct trader

CALAMBA CITY—FOUR UNIDENTIFIED ARMED MEN who introduced themselves as agents of the National Bureau of Investigation abducted a businessman outside a cockpit arena near the boundary of Batangas City and San Pascual, Batangas early Sunday morning, police said.

What's Inside

Scion of prominent Jolo family freed after payment of ransom

Hilario Davide Sr., one of the most successful fathers, dies at 101



DAVIDE SR.

Bayanihan dance troupe a hit in Iligan but scored for 'commercialization'



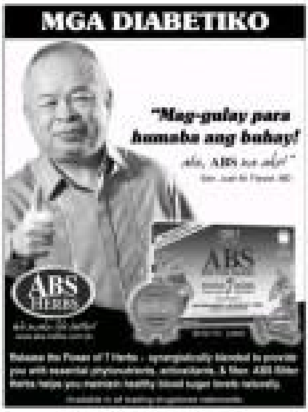
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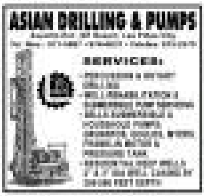
Lack of research

No permit for Panglao building, engineer says

Laoag City marks 41st charter day today







ROUNDUP

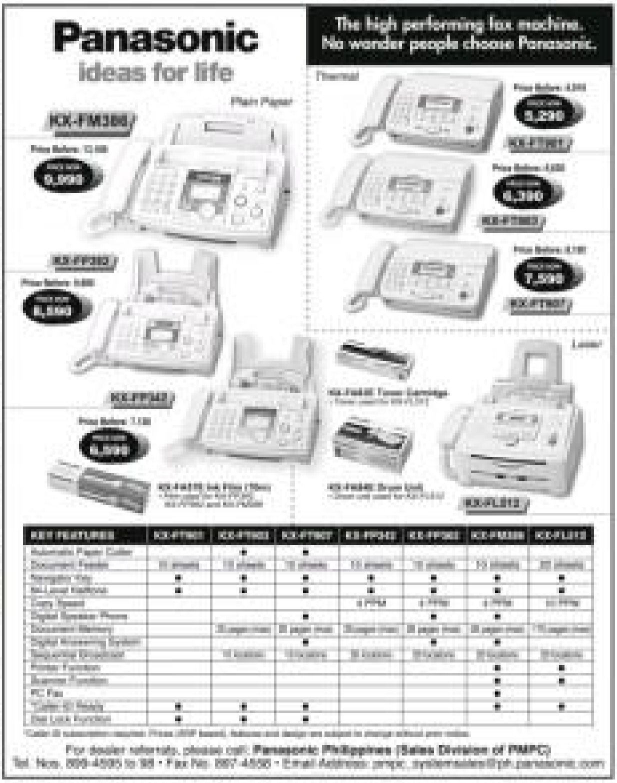
Voters' list cleanup

Fighter plane jitters

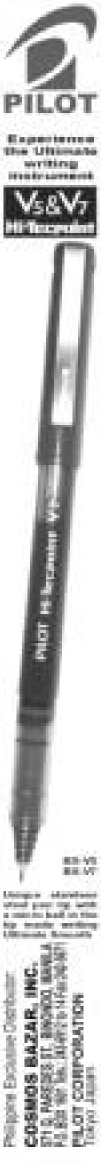


Students get help

3 dead in Cebu fire









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Messages

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HECTOR E. BINACALI
President – First Philippine Industrial Park
President – PHILEA-Batangas

The Provincial Government of Batangas under the leadership of our Honorable Governor Armando C. Sanchez and the Provincial Veterinary Office, headed by Dr. Rodrigo Bautista, has spearheaded the awareness programs on issues concerning the swine and poultry industry in the province. Their undeniable support to our vision and programs help us attain our goals in the most desirable manner. Their role in the 1st Agricultural Summit, the creation of the Local Avian Influenza Task Force and other meetings with their offices truly made us feel their commitment to their mandate especially to the swine and poultry industry in the Province of Batangas.

LEO A. ALDUEZA
President – Assn. of Feedmillers in Southern Tagalog (AFST)
Vice-President – Batangas Egg Producers Assn. (Baepa)

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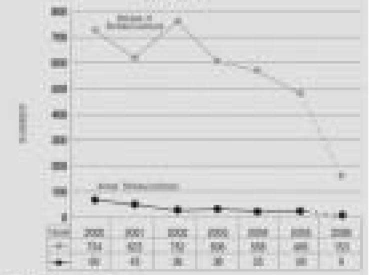
The formula that leads to industrial peace is simple yet striking. And it is successful. See the data. [illegible]

> "Industrial peace is good for the nation because it preserves jobs and encourages more investments."

What's the formula? [illegible]

"Industrial peace is good for the nation because it preserves jobs and encourages more investments," said Sto. Tomas.

Notices of Strikes/Lockouts Filed vs. Actual Strikes/Lockouts Declared 2000 - 2006*



*Data for 2006 is as of June 15 only.
Source: National Conciliation and Mediation Board (NCMB)

tripartite declaration of principles



TRIPARTITE PARTNERS. The Philippine's delegation to this year's International Labor Organization convention in Geneva, Switzerland, where it forged the Tripartite Declaration of Principles, pose for posterity after signing the landmark document. (From left to right) Ranulfo P. Payos, Vice President, Employers Confederation of the Philippines (ECOP); Rene E. Soriano, President, ECOP; Miguel V. Varela, Chairman, ECOP; Hon. Patricia A. Sto. Tomas, Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE); Democrito T. Mendoza, President, Trade Union Congress of the Philippines (TUCP); Allan S. Montano, President, Federation of Free Workers (FFW); Luzviminda G. Padilla, Undersecretary, DOLE; and Benedicto Ernesto R. Bitonio, Jr., Chairman, National Labor Relations Commission.

The Trade Union Congress of the Philippines (TUCP) and the Federation of Free Workers (FFW), representing Workers; the Employers Confederation of the Philippines (ECOP), representing Employers; and the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) and its attached agencies, representing Government,

Hereby adopt and bind ourselves to this Tripartite Declaration of Principles toward employment creation and preservation, industrial peace, and economic development, as follows:

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SIGNED in Geneva, Switzerland, June 9, 2006

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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Labor and Employment
Intramuros, Manila

Baguio mayor asks council to stop flyover project



GROUNDED BOATS

Many bat species now extinct, expert says



DENR to abolish some offices in Dumaguete, cut workforce

Death revives plan to drive away small miners in Vizcaya

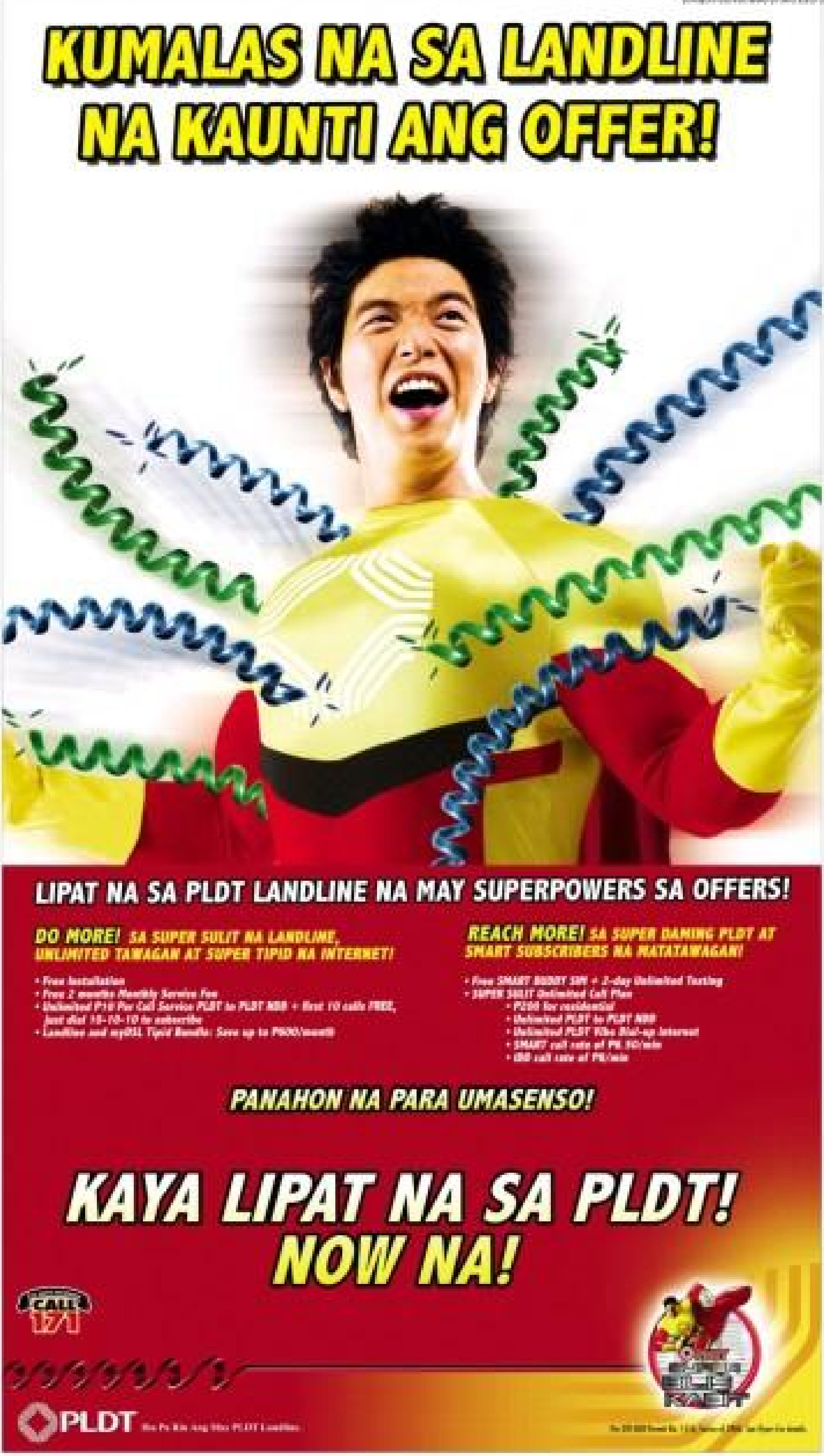
Cheap drugs sold in Zambales village pharmacies



Mindoro mayor, supporters in sedition raps post bail

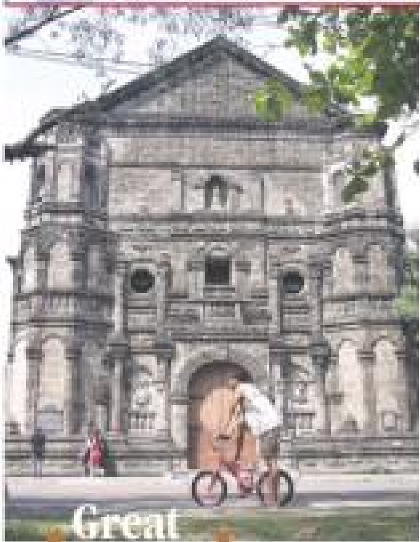
Janitor fish presence alarms Agusan fishers





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THE MALATE Church (left) and San Agustin Church in Intramuros.

Great churches of Old Manila

By Amado Ma. Guerrero
Contributor

Awe-inspiring places of worship continue to rekindle people's faith in the Almighty

THE MORE GRANDIOSE THE new temples of worship, the better. This will bring the natives "under the bells" (debajo de las campanas). Thus reasoned the Spanish missionary friars at the end of the 16th century and the start of the 17th century. The good fathers succeeded, perhaps beyond their wildest dreams.

Four hundred years later, more than 80 percent of the Philippines remains Catholic (practicing or nominal), despite the blandishments of other faiths.

The early churches, propelled by friars, were made of wood, bamboo and nipa. When these proved to be fire hazards, the friars turned to stone, corals, lime and mortar. Indios and Sangley artisans were taught to quarry stone, bake lime and create mortar by mixing lime or cement, sand and water.

And so great churches, mostly Romanesque-baroque—were constructed in Luzon and the Visayas. (Mindanao was then still frontier land, with the Spaniards and Moros slugging it out.)

Tumultuous history

The history of these churches is as tumultuous as that of the country. Many have been destroyed by fire, earthquakes and war. Others have been reconstructed, restored or (horror!) renovated by insensitive parish priests.

For instance, the church in Malate, Manila (dedicated to Nuestra Señora de Remedios) was greatly damaged by the 1863 earthquake and rebuilt. A century earlier, British forces had used the church to protect their rear guard in the capture of Manila.

Today a National Historical Institute marker pays tribute to the Columban fathers and "tens of thousands of Malate parishioners who were victims of the atrocities of the Japanese Imperial forces and American shelling during the Battle for Manila from Feb. 3-17, 1945."

The British forces also pillaged the church of San Agustin in Intramuros, Manila, in their infamous occupation of the city and country in 1762. San Agustin is the oldest stone church in the country, construction having started in 1587 and completed in 1607.

World Heritage Site

Interred here are the ashes of the early Spanish conquistadores like Legazpi. The church was chosen as a World Heritage Site by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco) in 1993. Its interiors are awe-inspiring, with their chandeliers (shades of "Phantom of the Opera"), towering reredos (altar backdrop), side altars and carved pulpit.

Hidden in the loft is a formidable pipe organ which is used for international music festivals.

Also inspiring are the interiors of the neogothic church of San Sebastian (which became a basilica in 1991) and the church of San Beda, dedicated to the Santo Niño Jesus de Praga.

The San Beda Abbey is relatively new, but

GREAT/A2



THE INTERIOR of the San Beda Church.

QC, Rizal to share common burial ground for Muslims

By DJ Yap

Manila Police: 'Ronda' effective crime deterrent

By Margaux C. Ortiz



Collective effort

Regular meetings

Off limits to strangers



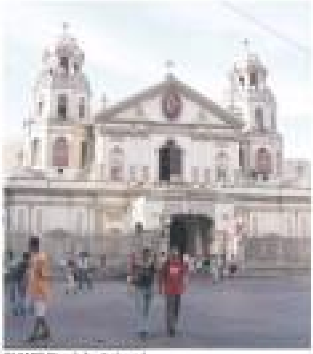
STRAYING THOUGHTS



STO. NIÑO Church in Tondo



BINONDO Church, the Catholic temple of Chinese devotees.



QUIAPO Church for the 'masa'.

Great churches of Old Manila

All-steel structure

Familiar landmark

Imposing facade



THE MAJESTIC Manila Cathedral



THE ALL-STEEL [illegible] of the San Sebastian Church



BPI Family Savings Bank is the leader in housing loans...



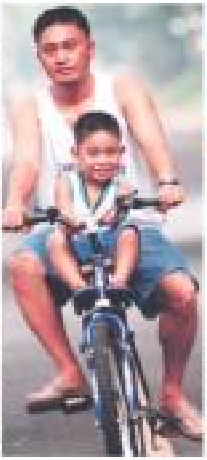
DENR: Marcos-Sumulong Highway hot spot for hot logs

By Blanche S. Rivera

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Self-defense, says suspect in OFW's killing

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TIME WITH DAD

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Rains no protection from fires, says cop

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Mauled to death!

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Winning grant proposal seminar

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Gazans barely scrape by as aid cutoff takes hold

US staged 340 air strikes in Afghanistan in 3 months



BALI FESTIVAL

Aussie Army called to fight toad invasion





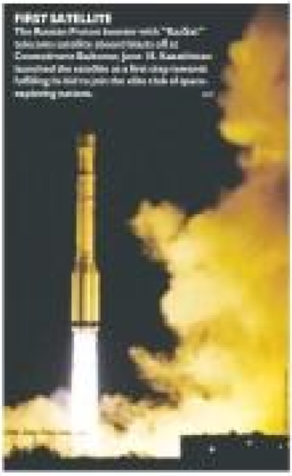
Burma's Suu Kyi faces another birthday alone



Suu Kyi in 1989 photo.



PICTURE taken in 1990 shows the house on University Avenue road in Rangoon where Burma's democracy icon Aung San Suu Kyi is spending her days under house arrest. Suu Kyi turns 61 on June 19.



FIRST SATELLITE

Fear starts to lift after Nepal peace deal

China to teach Africans how to fight the desert

Al-Qaida planned gas attack on NY subways









The WORLD



Japan warns Nokor over launch

Says it will seek UN meet if Pyongyang test-fires missile

TOKYO — JAPAN WARNED North Korea on Sunday it would view any test-fired missile that landed on Japanese soil as an attack, after reports the secretive nation was preparing to jangle international nerves with a new missile launch.

After 7 years of self-rule, Inuit still struggle

SPORTS

Editor: Teddyvic S. Melendres

WHAT'S INSIDE





Miller leads Alaska Aces past Giants

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Rivera nips Tee by four, puts away Masters title



RIVERA: Experience

Miller helps Aces trip Giants



WILLIE MILLER'S PRIMARY TASK WAS TO BREAK the zone defense of the enemy.

Fierce college foes keep PBL champs afloat

Olivarez gains Copa de Manila net finals

Pacquiao: Geography of pain

BARE EYE

Recah Trinidad



Bacolod secures World Series stint



Special Edition tops Ongpin Cup



Don Exquiel's Triple Crown bid goes pffft



Perpetual puzzle

CLEAN LIVING



Manolo R. Iñigo



Jota, Uy keeps Blanche Racing banner flying

Steady Bondoc snares Samsung Davao leg by 1



SSC spikers eye title slot vs Lyceum

SPORTSWATCH

Ampil Bros., Bacnad rule World Slasher Cup 8-cocker

70 tilts today in PCAP derby

'Hataman' derby all set

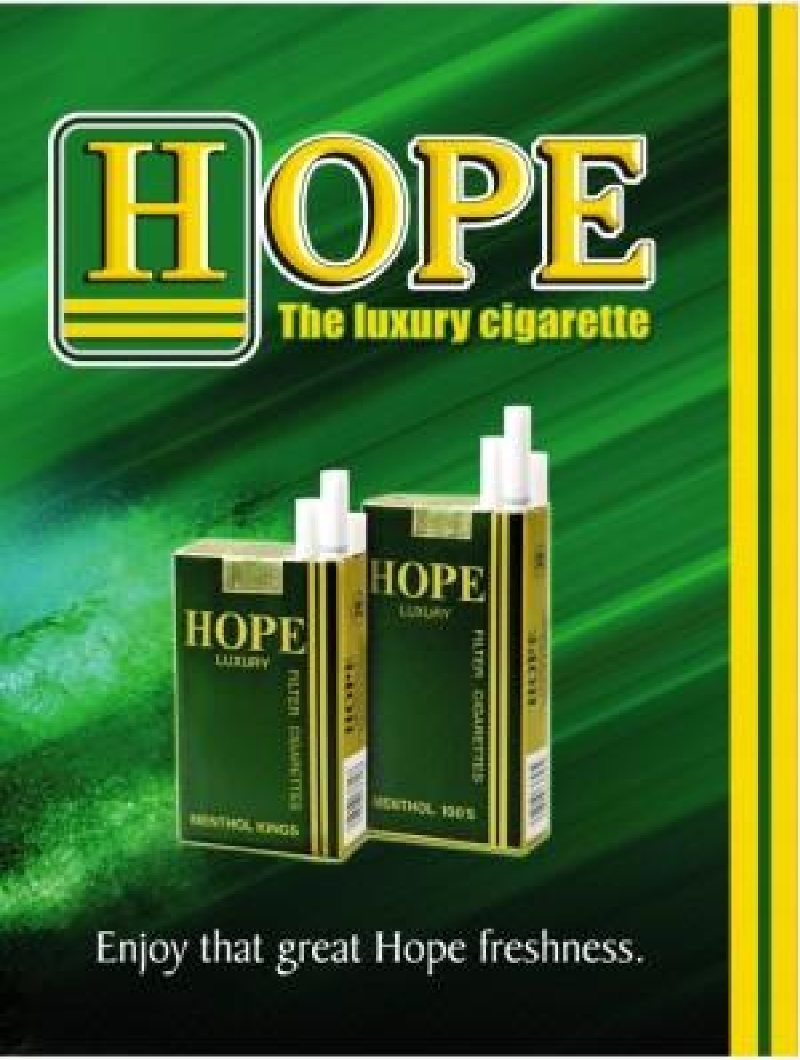


Sy crashes in rain; Jackson wins

Asian F-3 Series

Archery tilt up; Salonga is guest

Del Rosario, Virata top E. Ridge golf



Day of the World Cup underdogs

Ghana upsets World No. 2 Czech Republic; US holds Italy to crucial 1-1 draw

COLOGNE, GERMANY—GHANA DELIVERED AFRICA'S first victory in this World Cup with style.



Goalkeeper Cech says Czechs down, not out



England boss gives Rooney green light to start vs Sweden



AFTER 40 YEARS

Hardworking trio shines bright as Portugal finally advances

History beckons

Unknown Englishman stands in way of Mickelson's 3rd straight Major



MICKELSON: Almost there



FERRIS

MAMARONECK, NEW YORK—THE LAST THING Phil Mickelson had time for Saturday was a look back at history.

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Taylor keeps titles after controversial draw with Wright

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TAYLOR



WRIGHT

Game 5, Zo's Miami farewell?



MOURNING

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Dallas coach Johnson's one very mad Maverick

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Torre leads Ozamiz cast



SHELL NATIONAL YOUTH ACTIVE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP: BREAKING BARRIERS FOR THE FILIPINO YOUTH

ENTERTAINMENT



GINA Pareño

Gina Pareño slugs it out with Monica Bellucci, Julie Walters, Salma Hayek

By Marinel R. Cruz

GINA PAREÑO, LEAD ACtress in Jeffrey Jeturian's "Kubrador (The Bet Collector)," is set to slug it out with the likes of Julie Walters, Monica Bellucci and Salma Hayek for the Best Actress award in this year's Moscow International Film Festival.

"Kubrador," produced by MLR Films, will also compete for Best Picture against 16 other films from such countries as France, Germany, Poland, Sweden, Italy, Israel and Japan, among others.

The Moscow IFF will run from June 23 to July 2.

"Kubrador," which chronicles three days in the life of a bet collector (Pareño), will be screened on June 27, 6 p.m. in a 1,317-seat theater, according to [illegible] Alonzo of MLR Films.

Hayek stars in "Ask The Dust," Bellucci in "How Much Do You Love Me?" and Walters in "Driving Lessons."

Other popular actors in the competition are Eva Mendes, John Malkovich, Colin Firth, Gérard Depardieu and Rupert Grint (of the "Harry Potter" series).

Alonzo, Jeturian and Pareño are scheduled to leave for Russia on Thursday to join the festival events. They will return to Manila on July 5.

Alonzo also told Inquirer Entertainment that "Kubrador" had accepted another invitation to compete at the Osian's Cinefan Festival of Asian Cinema in New Delhi, India.

This festival starts on July 14 and ends on the 23rd. Jeturian and Pareño have been invited as the film's representatives and have each been assured of an all-expense-paid trip, added Alonzo.

"Kubrador," written by Ralston G. Jover, is also being invited to the annual Pusan International Film Festival in South Korea and the Hawaii International Film Festival in Honolulu.

It has not been determined if the movie will be screened as a competition entry. The PIFF is set from Oct. 12 to 20; the HIFF from Oct. 19 to Nov. 5.

Invite for 'Cogon'

Meanwhile, Rico Maria Ilarde's "Sa Ilalim ng Cogon" has just been invited to the Puchon International Fantastic Film Festival in Korea next month.

The Puchon festival offers "alternative films in the genre of science fiction, fantasy and horror from all around the world," according to a website of the European Fantastic Film Festival Federation. It starts on July 13 and ends July 21.

"The e-mail we received [from the festival organizers] does not mention whether or not 'Cogon' is for competition. [It guaranteed] plane fare and accommodations [but] I'm not sure what that means," Ilarde said in a text message on Saturday.

"Cogon" is about a young man named Jaime ([illegible]) who flees a heist that has gone horribly wrong and meets a mysterious woman in an old mansion, where he witnesses odd occurrences.

"Cogon" has participated in numerous film fests, including the 2006 Fribourg International Film Fest, [illegible] Luxembourg International Film Festival and the Far East Film Festival in Udine, Italy. At the 2005 Buenos Aires Rojo Sangre Fantastic Film Festival in Argentina, the movie won Best International Feature.

First for 'Brocka'

Sigfried Barros Sanchez's "Ang Anak ni Brocka" has received its first invitation to an international film derby via the 41st Karlovy Vary International Film Festival, on June 30 to July 8.

"Brocka" will have its international premiere along with eight other full-length [illegible]

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She's the star of 'Kubrador' which is competing in the Moscow film fest

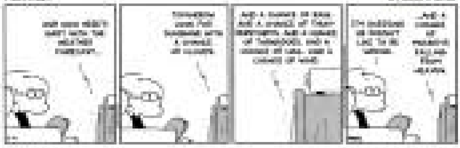


GINA Pareño (center) and [illegible] on the set of "Kubrador"

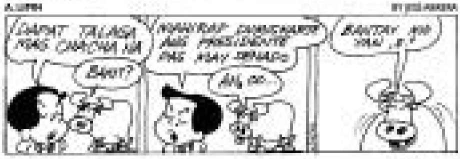


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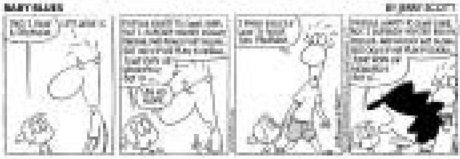


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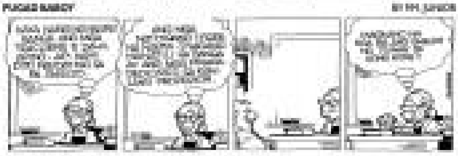
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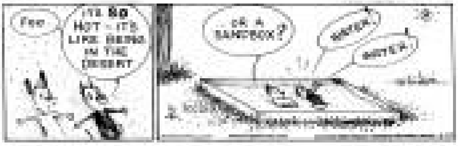
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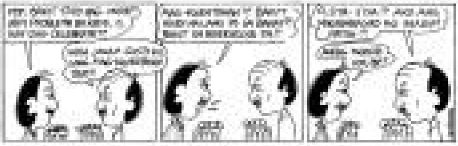


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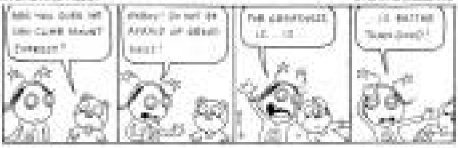
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LOVEBIRDS



ATOMO AND WEBBY



DIVINE COMEDY



KIKO MACHINE



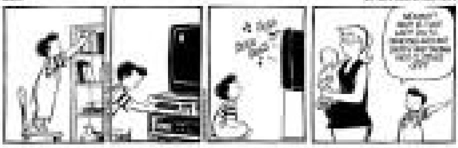


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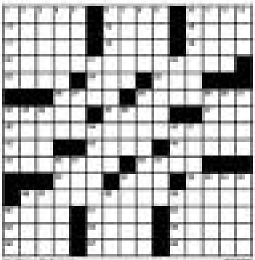


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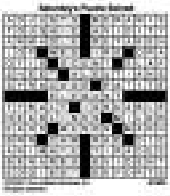
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DAILY CROSSWORD



Saturday's Puzzle Solved



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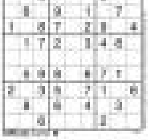
Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

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Tips and programs at www.sudoku.com



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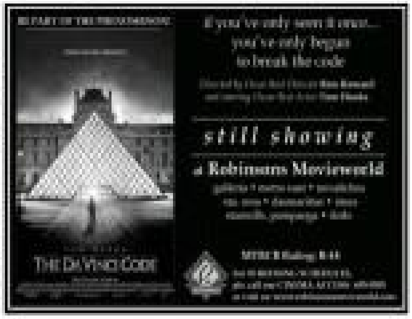
Nestor U. Torre

On Hallmark Channel

Gina Pareño slugs it out . . .

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RACHEL Hurd-Wood in "An American Haunting"

A spooky spectral siege

By Oliver M. Pulumbarit
Contributor

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GLAM GIRL. Ruffa Gutierrez says she misses working in Manila.

Ruffa readies $17,000 gown for Star Awards

By Nini Valera

RUFFA GUTIERREZ IS SET to wear a $17,000 gown, and Boy Abunda is expected to complement her glam with his brand of gab as the two host this year's 22nd Star Awards on June 30 at the Grand Ballroom of the Philippine Plaza Hotel.

Movie of the Year

Movie Director of the Year

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Digital Film Director of the Year

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Ruffa readies $17,000 gown for Star Awards



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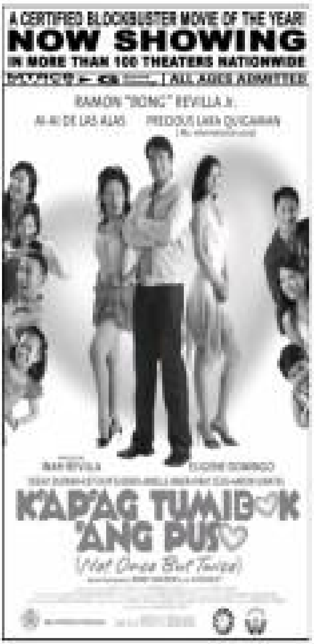
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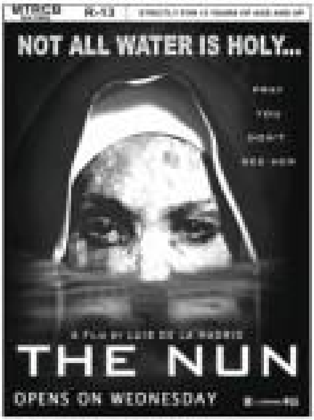
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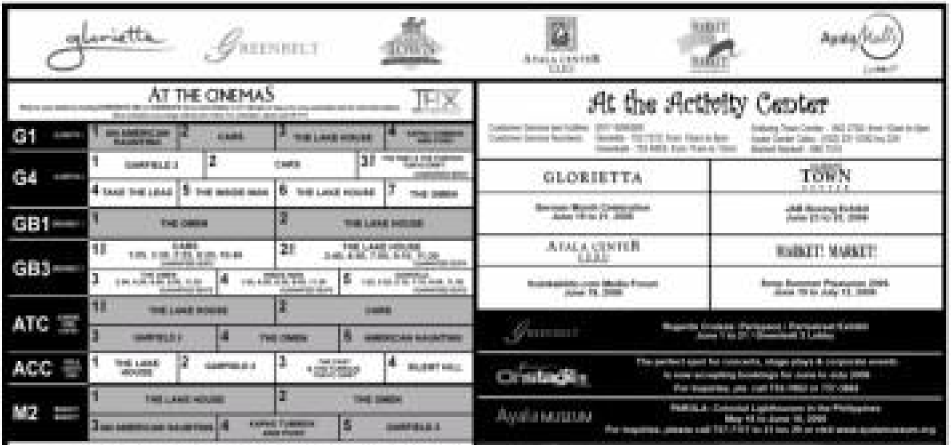
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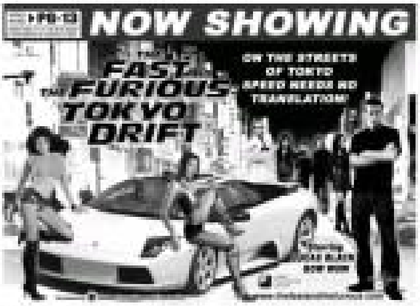
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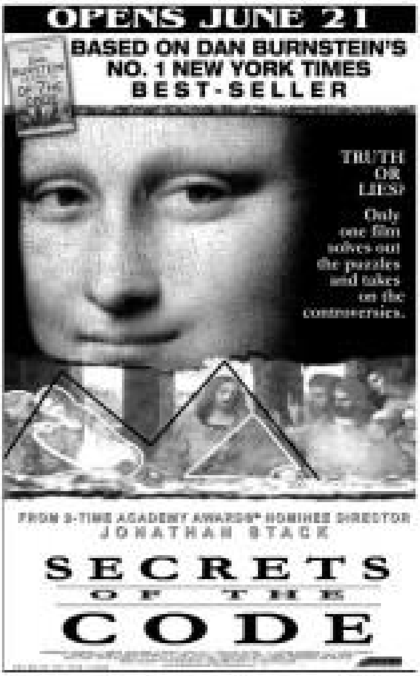
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Birth experience 'terrifying'

NEW YORK —ANGELINA JOLIE, in her first US interview since the birth of her daughter last month, says the experience was frightening.

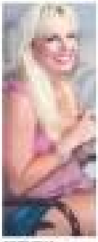
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Speaking of Namibia...



PITT with past and present loves

Speaking of repeat moms...



BRITNEY Spears then (below) and now (above)



That guy Giamatti

Wow...I mean, wow!

Three-way treat



Stop that man!



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Naia 3 opening seen in summer of '07

Agreement with Japanese contractor still hanging

By Daxim L. Lucas

THE MOTHBALLED TERMINAL 3 OF THE NINOY AQUINO INTERnational Airport (Naia) will stay shuttered until at least the middle of next year due to unresolved issues between the government and its Japanese builder.

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By Abigail L. Ho

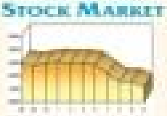
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Heard through the grapevine

Moody's says RP banks' profits 'overstated'

By Doris C. Dumlao

GLOBAL RATING FIRM MOODY'S said Philippine banks' earnings and capital were "overstated" due to lax regulations on losses booked from the sale of assets using the Special Purpose Vehicle framework.

After rival Standard & Poor's earlier assigned a rating of 8 (on a scale of 1-9 with 1 as the highest) to Philippine banks' country risk, Moody's average bank financial strength rating (BFSR) on the local system was only better at E- in view of "modest intrinsic strength and weak operating environment."

"Moody's believes that it will take the banking system two to four years to rebuild capital to more adequate levels (8 percent normative capital ratio)," Moody's Investor Service said in a special commentary titled Asia Banking Outlook 2006 issued on Friday.

Moody's said the sector was facing challenges by a weak operating environment, high level of nonperforming assets (NPAs) relative to loan-loss reserves and capital, uncertainty on consumer and middle-market strategies as well as fragmented structure, which constrains both profitability and efficiency and weaker-than supervisory function.

"Given stricter capital charges on NPAs with the implementation of new accounting standards and Basel 2 (capital adequacy rules), banks will likely consider the SPV route, despite the deep discounts associated with such transactions. Consequently going forward, Philippine banks should report lower NPAs," the report said.

Congress approved last March the extension of the SPV law, which offers generous fiscal incentives on asset transfers, for another two years to address the system's bad asset overhang.

"The provision of a 10-year period over which SPV-related losses can be amortized should reduce the negative impact on accounting profits. Such regulatory forbearance balances public confidence in the banking system but from an economic perspective, overstates bank earnings and

MOODY'S B4

Relaxation of BSP regulations on bancassurance sought

By Doris C. Dumlao

BANCASSURANCE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE Philippines are ...

SM unit earmarks ₱1B for Baguio condotel

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3 firms vie for contract to oversee Post Office privatization



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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CAMPAIGN

In promoting iodine, Pacific Farms is worth its salt



Fidel salt

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Sold by the can

Cleaner



BUYERS believe that vegetables from Baguio taste better than those grown in the lowlands.

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Clark execs ready for Senate probe on bidding of Mimosa

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Software giant Microsoft eyes new leaders for post-Gates era



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INFOTECH

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RP team gunning for medals in World Cyber Games

By Erwin Oliva
Contributor

AFTER BREAKING LAST YEAR'S "CURSE of the first round," the Philippine Counter-Strike team is expecting this year to win a medal following a sterling performance in the World Cyber Games (WCG) 2005 held in Singapore.

Last year, the Counter-Strike team lived up to the WCG Philippine team leader and project manager [illegible] prediction that the local team would "break the curse of the first round" and enter the single-elimination stage for the first time in the country's history of joining the WCG.

The Counter-Strike team, called "Horsemen of the Apocalypse," is composed of [illegible].

During WCG 2005, the local Counter-Strike team defeated the Finnish professional gaming team [illegible], which was projected to win at least a bronze prize in the tournament.

This year, [illegible] is confident that the country's Counter-Strike team would go home with a medal since the Philippine players are becoming more competitive in the international arena.

The Philippine Counter-Strike team landed in 13th place in the world finals—a significant improvement since over half of the contestants are usually eliminated after day one.

"What makes the achievement of our team last year noteworthy is that they have won over professional gamers. We expect to do better this year. There will be a WCG Asia Tourney, a pre-event to the WCG Grand Finals, where we expect to bring home a medal," added [illegible].

The WCG Asia tournament will not have any bearing on who would qualify for the scheduled world finals in Monza, Italy, scheduled October 18 to 22, the Philippine team leader said.

The WCG Asian tournament will be a different competition involving at least 10 countries in the region, including the Philippines.

Meanwhile, Samsung Electronics Philippines Corp. [illegible], which has been supporting WCG recently in the Philippines, said it would continue supporting the WCG. Every year, the local subsidiary of the Korean giant has been allocating [illegible] to support the WCG activities in the Philippines.

"Samsung continues to promote a positive attitude toward gaming as it recognizes the WCG as an effective channel to communicate with Filipino youth," said [illegible], Samsung president. "We believe there is a strong need to nurture a healthy and sound cyber world. By supporting WCG, we want to promote gaming as a sport and encourage the Filipino youth to hone their skills so they can be among the best in the world."

The Philippine team will again compete in four video game categories this year: Counter-Strike 1.6, Starcraft: Broodwar, Warcraft III: The Frozen Throne, and Need for Speed: Most Wanted—all for the PC.

The Philippine preliminaries will have over P1 million worth of prizes up for grabs, including the chance to represent the Philippines at the WCG Grand Finals in Monza.

[illegible] estimated that there are at least two million video gamers in the Philippines.

"The actual game is only the tip of the iceberg that comes in developing such a community. It opens doors to a thriving industry that fuels creativity and technology," he added.

[illegible] also said that this year's WCG Philippine preliminaries will be open, meaning Metro Manila players can now compete directly with other players from the provinces, not only in the finals but in the preliminary elimination.

Registration for the WCG 2006 Philippine Preliminaries is ongoing online until July 30 at www.ph.worldcybergames.com.



RP Cyber team ready to take on the world

Yahoo! eyeing user-generated, licensed content for RP site

By Alexander Villafania
Contributor

A MONTH AFTER LAUNCHING ITS SOUTHEAST Asian operations, online portal and web services firm Yahoo! is mapping out plans to increase user-generated content and add more localized services to its Philippine operations.

The front page interface for Yahoo.ph (www.yahoo.ph) would also be among the Southeast Asian Yahoo portals to be given a facelift in the next few weeks.

The changes and additional services would be made to all Yahoo! country websites worldwide.

Yahoo! Southeast Asia Sales Director [illegible] said the company is actively in discussions with content and service providers for both the online and mobile telecommunications space as part of the company's portal build up.

One plan is to provide unique Yahoo! [illegible] to Filipinos to allow for access to services either by using the Internet or mobile platform.

"What we're doing here in the Philippines is not just offering what is given by the main Yahoo! page, but finding the right mix of services that will spur Filipinos to keep coming back to the Yahoo! Philippines portal," [illegible] said.

[illegible] said Yahoo! is banking on the ubiquity of mobile phones, owned by nearly 40 million Filipinos. The intention is to make Filipinos use their mobile phones to access services usually reserved to Internet users.

"We'll have marketing plans to entice Filipinos that their phones can be their alternative access for online services," [illegible] said.

Part of its marketing plan is to sponsor the first Asia Interactive Awards, which recognizes the creativity of web designers, online advertising agencies and media companies.

Scaling Text and Objects at the same time in Powerpoint

By Jerry Liao

1. SELECT ALL YOUR OBJECTS AND TEXT.
2. Go to Edit/Cut.
3. Go to Edit again and choose Paste Special.
4. From the As: options choose Picture. Click OK.
5. Hold the Shift key down, and scale the object using the corner handles to keep everything in proportion.
6. If you need to edit the actual text, simply go to Draw / Ungroup.

POWER-TIPS

For more tips, visit www.brainshare.com.ph.

Announcement: Everyone is invited to attend the PowerTips [illegible] Expo 2006 to be held on July 21-22, 2006 [illegible] at the [illegible], Makati City. Admission is free. For more details, visit www.infotechnews.com.ph/powertips.

For your comments and suggestions, please email [illegible]@yahoo.com.

RP eyes increased trade with S. Korea

LBP to boost rural lending

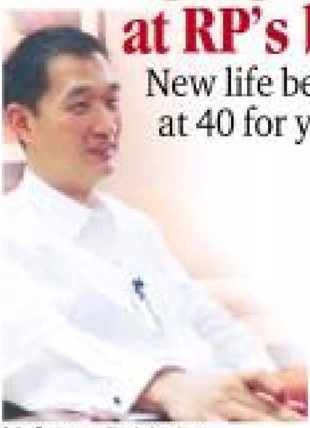
BUSINESS *Monday*

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Changing of the guard at RP's biggest bank

New life begins at 40 for young Ty



Arthur Ty takes over as Metrobank president

By Doris C. Dumlao

HE HAS BEEN groomed to lead the Philippines' biggest bank since childhood, but the presidency was a plum post he still had to prove himself worthy of.

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On-the-job training

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CHANGING, B2-3

Educating future farmers

MAPping the Future

Dr. Jose Rene C. Gayo

Rural development

MOVEMENTS

Tammy Lipana chairs PwC Philippines

P&A appoints new CEO

Nestle has new manager

Grand plans set for seaweed industry

Master plan prepared to generate ₱1B in investments in Sitangkai



SEAWEED production is the main industry in Sitangkai, Tawi-Tawi



A FARMER inspects the quality of his produce.

Changing of the guard at RP's biggest bank

Expansion

Carcar tourism on the rise

Reservoir to be developed as destination

By Irene R. Sino-Cruz
PDI Visayas Bureau



THE CARCAR municipal government plans to turn the 32-hectare reservoir into a boating and fishing area.

Firm praised for efforts to protect environment

By Vicente S. Labro
PDI Visayas Bureau



Halting the unhappiness trend

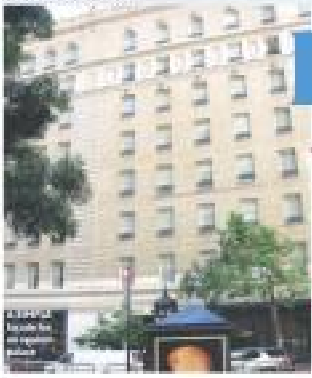
A LEADER'S WAY

John C. Maxwell



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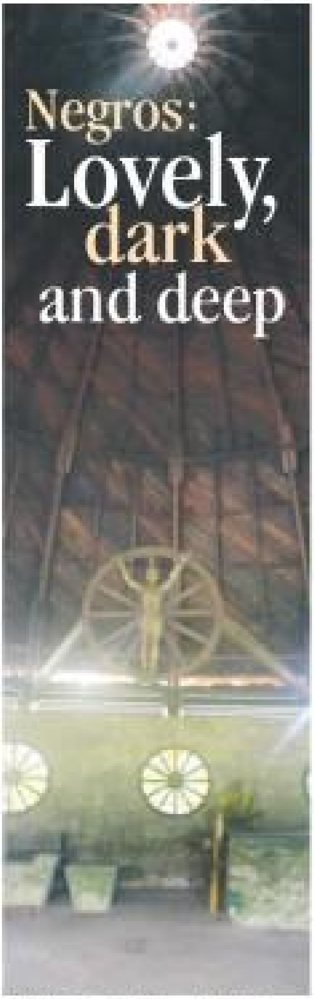
A hero is remembered by San Francisco's grande dame

Rizal may not have left his heart in the City by the Bay but his brief visit is immortalized in a marker at the hotel where he stayed

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Negros: Lovely, dark and deep



A PANORAMIC shot of the chapel of cartwheels in Manapla town

NEGROS OCCIDENTAL IS A province teeming with national treasures and cultural heritage sites. And it is for these reasons, among other things, that the region was chosen as special focus for this year's National Heritage Month (NHM) Festival.

Heritage tour

The heritage spotlight is trained on Negros Occidental

Museum



ALFONSO Ossorio mural, "Angry Christ"



CHURCH of St. Joseph the Worker

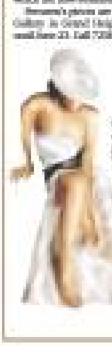




YOUNG performers at the Balay Negrense Museum



Paper art and fashion at Pinto



A hero is remembered by San Francisco's grande dame

Text and photos by Linda B. Bolido

A CORNER OF SAN FRANCISco seems destined to be forever Philippines. No. 2 New Montgomery, at the corner of Market Street, San Francisco's commercial hub, is the centuries-old Palace Hotel.

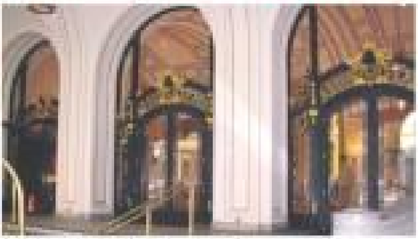
Opened in Oct. 2, 1875, its grace undiminished by age, the Palace symbolizes the elegance, the gentility associated with the City by the Bay. But for Filipinos, it is more than just a graceful and luxurious landmark of a beautiful city.

The seven-story edifice (short by today's standards) once sheltered an illustrious Filipino, Dr. Jose Protasio Rizal, a historical fact that the stately hotel proudly proclaims. A bronze marker was placed to the left of the main entrance on Dec. 30, 1996, the centennial of the national hero's martyrdom, to commemorate his two-day visit in May 1888, his only trip to the United States.

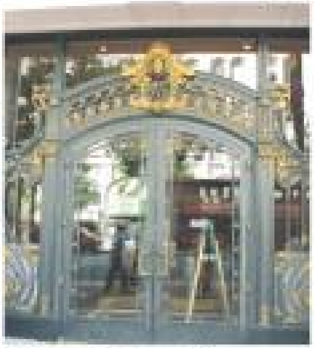
The marker says, in part, "Imbued with a superior intellect and an intense love for his country, Dr. Rizal sought to gain freedom for the Filipino people from centuries of Spanish domination through peaceful means. His writings, foremost of which were the novels 'Noli Me Tangere' and 'El Filibusterismo,' dared to expose the cancer of colonial rule and agitated for reforms."

A landmark restoration had restored and conserved the beauty, style and elegance of the Palace. A Sheraton property. Much of the renovated hotel hark back to a glorious past of affluence and luxury—the staircase with gilded sculptures, high-backed chairs with brocade upholstery in a corridor that connects two side entrances, and the coffee shop with its vaulted ceilings and Austrian leaded crystal chandeliers. In fact, the coffee shop, the Garden Court, is a landmark all by itself with its graceful columns soaring from marble floors toward the luminous stained-glass ceiling. The San Francisco Historic Society has declared it the city's Landmark No. 18.

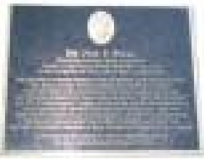
Living up to its name, the 552-room Palace has hosted presidents, royalty, giants of industry, pillars of society and, of course, the Philippines' national hero.



GRACEFUL arches and glass doors with ornate gilded frames represent 19th century elegance.



SHOP doors carry the distinctive pattern of Palace entrances.



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SOLAR settlement in Freiburg, Breisgau. Each apartment in the row houses is furnished with a tool shed, or "solar substation."



LOW ENERGY high-rise in Berlin (right)



ENERGY apartment in Stuttgart

Ecology-based German architecture

An exhibit at Goethe-Manila shows the diversity and styles of more recent German architecture

THE GOETHE-INSTITUT MANILA, in cooperation with the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP), will exhibit "Made in Germany: Architecture + Ecology." The show is in connection with the Goethe-Institut's "Made in Germany" series, which brings German architecture in dialogue with various cultural and ecopolitical conceptions, providing a context in which to present a selection of contemporary architectural projects.

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"Made in Germany: Architecture + Ecology" runs June 22-July 19 at the Goethe-Institut Manila, Makati City.

Admission is free.



Exhibit melds music and arts

GALERIE JOAQUIN moves its highly successful "La Musique IV" exhibition to the Galerie Joaquin Podium and the Galerie Francesca in Festival Mall, Alabang. The show is the fourth in a series of annual group exhibitions paying tribute to music.

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"CADENA (Recital)," by Bayani Ray Alcala



"GUITARIST," by Mauro Sta Ana



"KAPUTOL Ng Hinig" II, by Jerry Morada

LIFESTYLE



"FATHER and Son"

Elmer Borlongan's art of the human interest

This is his first interpretation of a tale for kids and his first use of linen as medium

By Jessica Jalandoni-Rebillas
Contributor

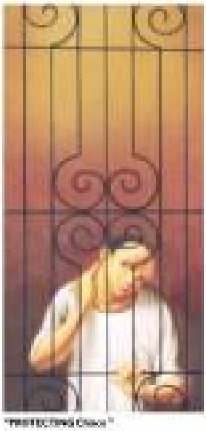
THE STORY IS THAT THE romance between Elmer Borlongan and Plet Bolipata unfolded as they were working on their murals at Casa San Miguel, the arts haven in Zambales.

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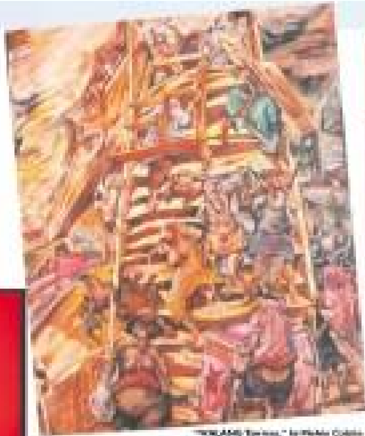
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"PROTECTING Chico"

Young and merry mix of styles and modes

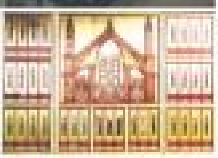


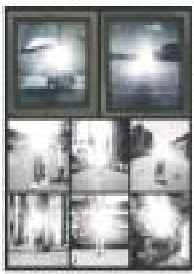




12 short-listed for Ateneo awards









Visual Arts

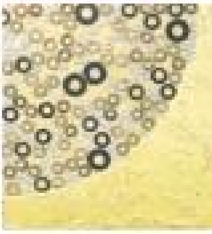
'Long Goodbye' at Mag:net

"Long Goodbye" will open at Mag:net Katipunan tomorrow. Curated by Roberto Chabet, the show features several artists bidding farewell "to modernism and its promised utopias, to history in the age of anti-history and to art itself in the age of anti-art." Artists include Poklong Anading, Lena Cobangbang, Alfred Cruz, Isabel de la Cruz, Gaile Diaz, Mike Esteban, Paulo Mercurio, Jet Melencio, Jonathan Olazo, Jayson Oliveria, Gary Ross Pastrana, Jayce Raquepo, Undo Yao, Alvin Villarin and MM Yu. On view until July 6. Mag:net Katipunan is at Agcor Bldg., 335 Katipunan Road, Loyola Heights, QC. Call 9293591.



"Earth Art" at Stairway

A group exhibit by [illegible] is ongoing at the Stairway Gallery, 113 Kamuning Road, Quezon City. "Earth Art" features the works of the founding members on the theme, "Re-inhabitation, a human consciousness of getting back to Mother Earth." The exhibit runs until July 9. Call 0920-9214989.



"HOMAGE to Klimt," by May M. Tobias



"PASSION of Christ," by Sherwin Tan

Sena art lessons

Fernando B. Sena will hold art lessons at the following venues: Philippine Medical Women's Association, Malakas St. and V. Luna Road, QC (Saturday and Sunday); UP Jorge Vargas Museum, Diliman, QC (Wednesday) and Triumph Building, Quezon Ave., QC. Classes start on June 27. Call 3782198 and 3762237.

Sherwin Tan at Ayala

Sherwin Tan presents "Love Letters," July 4-16, at the Ayala Museum. Tan, who took up Fine Arts at the University of San Carlos in Cebu. The show consists of abstract landscapes and depictions of nature as well as spiritual revelations. Visit www.sherwintan.com or e-mail sherwin_c_tan@yahoo.com.

Revestar at Ayala

Landscape painter Cagsawa Ben Revestar's "Tenders in Color" is running until June 29 at the Museumplayers, Ayala Museum. Tranquil landscapes bathed in soft evening or morning lights are Revestar's favorite subjects, bearing witness to the importance he places on the orchestration of color, mood and movement in sky and cloud formation. Call 7577117 to 21 local 31.

Workshop

The Ayala Museum will hold workshops on Intermediate Jewelry Making, Book Arts, Introduction to Acrylics, Introduction to Sculpture and Intermediate Watercolors. Registration is ongoing. Call 7577117 local 28, fax 7575588 or e-mail inquiry@ayalamuseum.org. Online registration through www.ayalamuseum.org.

Tobias at Corredor

May M. Tobias' first solo exhibit, "Abstract Reasoning," is running until June 30 at The Corredor, UP College of Fine Arts, Bartlett Hall, E. Jacinto St., Diliman, QC. Tobias finds inspiration in her materials—unlikely and disparate objects ranging from construction hardware to indigenous craft materials.

Pingol at Heritage

Ajo Jacinto Pingol's "Beyond Imagination" will open at the Heritage Art Gallery in SM Megamall on June 20 at 6 p.m. A Fine Arts graduate from the University of Santo Tomas, Ajo is known for his women figures with luscious lips and ripe figures. Until July 1. Call 6343438.

Mopera at Frio Mixx

Young painter Arden Mopera presents his works at the new art space of Frio Mixx located at the 5/F, Fourth Zone of Shangri-La Plaza Mall. Mopera presents a new series of works of an "artist as cliente," whose imagery, subject and thoughts are processed in shorthand compositions of personal content. The exhibit runs until June 20. Call 6327921 or 0922-8217124.

"BALUGSY," Arden Tonio Mopera

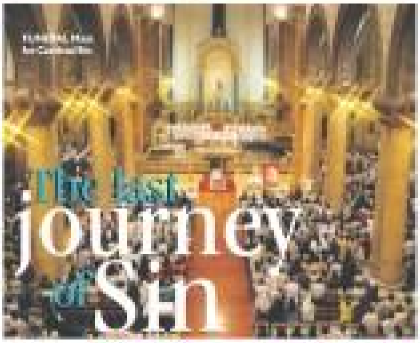
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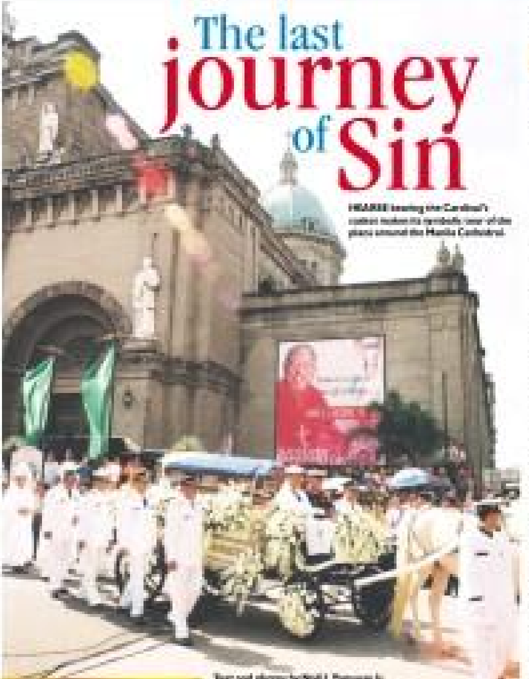
LIFESTYLE



Cardinal Sin, whose first death anniversary the nation marks this week, is fondly remembered by his personal photographer

STORY ON PAGE E2

The last journey of Sin



HEARSE bearing the Cardinal's casket makes its symbolic tour of the plaza around the Manila Cathedral.



FILIPINO nuns from the Missionaries of Charity, the congregation founded by Mother Teresa of Calcutta



FORMER President Corazon Aquino



MANILA faithful pray for the Cardinal



MEMBER of the archdiocesan clergy pays his last respects

Text and photos by Noli L. Yamsuan Jr.
Contributor



THE CARDINAL'S casket is prepared to be brought down.



PALL-BEARERS bring down the casket to the Cathedral crypt.



PRESIDENT Macapagal-Arroyo presents Ramon Sin, the Cardinal's brother, the Philippine flag



CARDINALS Paul Shan Kuo-shi of Taiwan and Roger Mahony of Los Angeles bring Cardinal Sin to his final resting place.

Foreign cardinals

'Too Small to Ignore' author comes to Manila

COMPASSION PRESIDENT AND "Too Small to Ignore" author Wess Stafford will visit the Philippines on June 24, at the Compassion alumni gathering to be held at Crossroad 77, Mother Ignacia Avenue, in QC. Compassion is an international Christian sponsorship organization that ministers to children in 24 countries around the world.

New books on Rizal from New Day

NEW DAY PUBLISHERS, the pioneer Filipiniana and religious publishing company, is releasing "Rizal and Heroic Traditions: A Sense of National Destiny" by Pablo Trillana III, in observance of the 145th birth anniversary of national hero Dr. José Rizal.



‘Death’ be not proud





REVIEW

‘The Perfect Storm’ author remembers an odd intersection of crime and personal history in a landlocked new book



JUNE READS





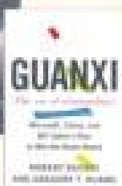














Focus on modeling and Ayala siblings

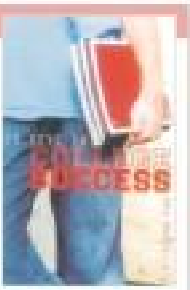


CAMPUS READS

"11 Keys to College Success"

"Becoming a Healthy Team: 5 Traits of Vital Leadership"

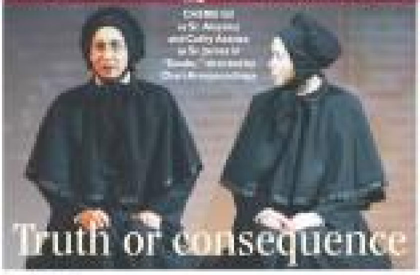






LIFESTYLE

Atlantis Productions' 'Doubt' does exacting justice to John Patrick Shanley's gripping parable on blind certainty



CHERIE GIL as Sr. Aloysius and Cathy Azanza as Sr. James in "Doubt," directed by Chari Arespacochaga



By Gibbs Cadiz

SHE HATES LONG NAILS, ballpoint pens, Christmas pageants. She thinks art and dance subjects are a waste of time. As principal of a working-class grade school, she feels no need to cozy up to the kids, believing them deserving of an iron hand instead. She is quick, snappish, efficient. She'd suspend any pest, drive a hornet from its nest, throw a whirling dervish out of whirl…

Oops, wrong nun.

But how, indeed, do you solve a problem like Sister Aloysius, [illegible] by the film actress Cherie Gil in Atlantis Productions' "Doubt, a Parable," now running at the Carlos P. Romulo Auditorium in RCBC Plaza, Makati?

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[illegible] "Doubt."

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Buddy talks

Consider the constraints she is in. It is 1964, and the ferment of Vatican II is bringing profound, often discomfiting changes to the Catholic Church, none of them good in Sr. Aloysius' eyes.

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"Children need warmth, kindness, understanding! What does she give them? Rules," complains Fr. Flynn.

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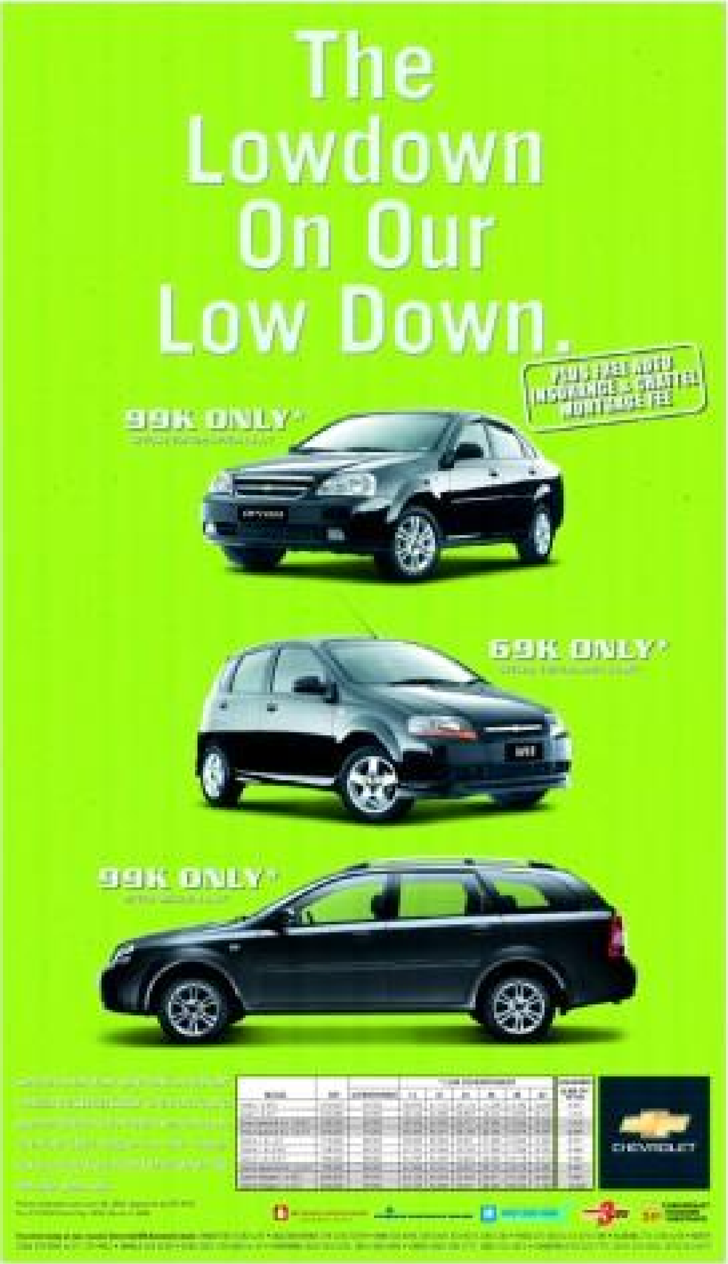
"I'm not answerable to you," Fr. Flynn tells her when confronted. "If you are dissatisfied with that, I suggest you speak to Monsignor Benedict."

Vigilant spirit

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"You have not the slightest proof of anything," Fr. Flynn reminds her [illegible]

TURN TO F2





THE ANGEL battles the evil Spiderman in a scene

Angelic story combines music, ballet and circus



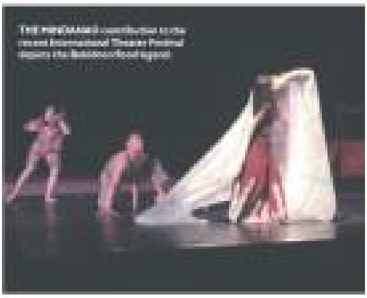
THE ANGEL battles the giant spider and the evil Spiderman.

AN ADORABLE BUT MISCHIEVOUS young angel falls from the heavens, losing her wings, her harp and her halo. The only one way to retrieve them is by "earning" them back through good deeds. The search for goodness leads her to encounter mysterious creatures on land and sea —finding our little angel locked in a classic battle of good against evil. Will fate be kind to our fragile hero?



THE ANGEL flies back to heaven

Uncovering 'Uwabig'

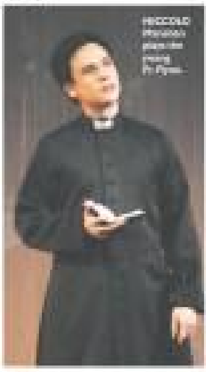


Life is an assault of images, smells, sounds, events and experiences not conveniently arranged for us for our comfortable understanding

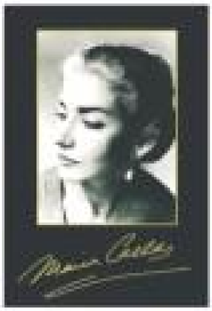


Truth or consequence





'Master Class' pays tribute to Maria Callas





Peta's 38th season features 'Lola Basyang,' Guerrero's gay comedy



Lessons from musical prodigies



PROFESSOR Reynaldo G. Reyes

By Pablo A. Tariman
Contributor

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THE AUTHOR with pianists Lang Lang and Oliver Salonga

Top musicians say competitions are overrated. What's needed is to deepen craft

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Lang Lang and Reyes

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